

man might have been demoted over too much thought of the arranging of his home and the disappointment of knowing that he could not have it arranged by that time. Then, again, the chief thinks that it may have been suicide. The fact that Wilson was seen at the Starbuck bridge bridge over the river to this day. But since the father says that the son did not have that kind of a disposition to do anything which would shake the idea. The chief says the thing will be looked into today. That he will put his best men at work on the case and ascertain if possible what is the reason Wilson did not appear at Starbuck City.

Chief Cabbon went home early last night, but before he went he gave orders that the patrolmen should be on the watch for Wilson.

Because of the fact that his son did not return on Monday night, Richard Wilson was not anxious, as he had supposed that his son had met some friend and was on his way to the city.

One might have all kinds of theories about the matter, but one thing is certain, and that is that John Wilson disappeared on his wedding day and failed to appear, also that his people are grieved over the matter, and one woman in Starbuck City cannot appreciate the situation.

It must have been a trying day for her, to realize that her lover had deserted her without any explanation, that everything was in readiness for the event of her life and was not fulfilled.

There may be an explanation for all of these things and if John Wilson is among the living an immense load of suspense would be taken from his father and family and friends if he would return.

"I strongly recommend" George Chertsey, Chertsey, it cured me of a throat and lung trouble of many years standing. Mrs. J. Brennan, 1110 E. 10th Street, Chicago, Ill., writes: "I was coughing, colds, asthma, bronchitis, in grippe, pneumonia, whooping cough, croup and consumption. J. P. Allen, Dordum & Higgins, Geo. Van Warden."

BEFORE HYMEN'S ALTAR
Popular Wichita Couple Wedded Yesterday by Episcopal Service.

Yesterday morning at 10:30 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stillwell, 424 North Lawrence avenue, the wedding ceremonies were solemnized, which united as man and wife, Mr. Edgar G. Gordon of Chicago, and Miss Edith M. Stillwell, Rev. J. D. Mitchell, pastor of St. John's Episcopal church, rendered the beautiful church service which was witnessed by the relatives of the two young people and a few immediate friends. Miss Edith's wedding march was played by Mrs. David Hays, organist at Mr. Roy Gordon of Winfield, brother of the groom. The floral decorations were in charge of Mr. W. H. Cook and they were unique, beautiful and original. A bottle of champagne was presented to the bride by friends in Los Angeles, California. Orange blossoms, lilies of the valley and hydrangea made up the very pretty bouquet carried by the bride, and she was arrayed in her traveling costume of broadcloth trimmed with fur.

After the congratulations of friends, the newly-wedded pair left for the Santa Fe for Chicago, where Mr. Gordon will hold his office. Mr. Gordon and his wife will make their future home. Prof. Gordon is manager of the Kellogg school of music, violin department, and for two years was the Wichita manager of that school.

Miss Edith is a Wichita girl, reared and educated here, and a student of great ability, often appearing on the programs of local entertainments, and also in the orchestra of St. John's church. Possessed with a cheerful, amiable temperament, she is a social and popular person. Her city, all of whom extend to her their sincerest congratulations. Refined, cultured, and of most promising temper, she counts among her friends the best of the city.

Prof. Gordon during his residence here also made many charming friends and these would convey to him their most cordial congratulations and wishes for a happy future. One household has lost a ray of sunshine, a child of joy and sweet loving. But another home is blessed in which the girl who has been so much loved and cherished will still be with her parents, and she will be a joy to all who know her. Her family circle is blessed, and a daughter who can never again be replaced. It will remain for the girl to continue to grow with her rich gifts of personality. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stillwell, will be glad to see the bride and groom at their new residence, which is at the corner of 10th and Main streets.

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"SHANGHAI" IS DEAD

A. H. Pierce of Texas Gathered to His Fathers

IN THE GREAT ROUND UP

Old Father Time Takes in a Well Known Cattleman.

In the afternoon dispatches of yesterday was one saying: "A. H. Pierce, the richest cattleman in Texas, died today at Fort Station. He was many times a millionaire with a large variety of interests in Texas."

There is not an old-timer in all this land from Wichita to the Gulf of Mexico, especially in southern Kansas, who will not feel sorrow at the above announcement.

Many a time and oft did the stentorian voice of "Shanghai" Pierce awaken the echoes in early Wichita. Those who did not know him could not make the claim of being well acquainted. When he whispered the whole town heard him; when he laughed the earth trembled.

The roar of the ocean was like the music of an Arabian harp compared with his voice when he shouted. He was a human megaphone. Large, loud and bony, he cut a distinguished figure in every crowd, and that is the reason he was called "Shanghai."

Mr. Pierce never quit being a Yankee in heart although being a typical Texan in every other feature. He clung to the thing of New England with wonderful tenacity. He was born somewhere among the hills above Braton but went to Texas before the war.

"Shanghai" began as a servant in Texas. His employer owned a great deal of wild horses and used his negro slaves to breaking them to the saddle.

"William," the employer's wife used to say, "why endanger the lives of our negroes by putting them on these ponies? Why can't you make Pierce break them?"

The time came when "Shanghai" was more wealthy than his old boss ever dreamed of, and he was fond of relating the incident.

"Shanghai" went broke many times, but he always built up again. He made several fortunes. He was well known on the Chisholm trail when it first started thirty-odd years ago, and he made things lively between Abilene and the Red river.

He loved joking, and till this day, in Caldwell, Wichita and Abilene his bon mots are repeated without losing any of their original interest.

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What Eastern Man Thinks of Wichita's Future.

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And Prices on Property Are Not Fictitious.

Roland Conklin, president of the North American Trust company of New York, is visiting his brother, J. E. Conklin of this city. He recently returned from abroad, having toured France in an automobile. Mr. Conklin is satisfied that Wichita will be one of the most solid cities, financially, in the west. His company has for a number of years had large holdings here and in each instance they have been disposed of with profit. "Wichitans understand what it is to have a boom," he said, "and for the future they will boom alone. This city, however, is improving wonderfully and the most satisfactory part of it all is the fact that the business houses and other property is rapidly being bought up by home people. That is one evidence of good solid prosperity. No wild cat fabulous prices are exacted and property in this city is an excellent investment. The buildings also are in a better condition. They are nicely painted and kept in general in good repair, something that was not true a few years ago. My last visit to this city was nearly four years ago and the improvements which have been made here in these few years is something very remarkable. The growth of Wichita is something gradual and in a few years from now it will be the city of the southwest. Our company always has had headquarters here and is interested in property in this city. We always consider our Wichita possessions among our very best and never failed to dispose of them with profit."

Mr. Conklin was accompanied by his wife, his brother, Mr. Stanley Conklin, and the latter's wife. A reunion of the family of the eastern brothers and the two brothers who live in Wichita, was held last night. Judge and Mrs. T. H. Wall were also present.

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COLONEL BRYANT ILL
Notable Military Veteran Temporarily Indisposed.

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Col. Bryant is one of the few remaining retired army officers who have seen active service not only in the war of the rebellion, but after that, on the frontier. He has been attached to corps and divisions, whose commanders are world renowned. At his headquarters have been counsels attended by such well known names as Gen. Sherman, Gen. Grant, Gen. Sheridan, Gen. Miles and other military celebrities have counseled with him. Col. Bryant on more than one occasion has been one of the first to see the last command was the Thirtieth U. S. Infantry, and his last post was at Fort Supply and other parts of the 27th of next January. Seven years ago he was relieved on duty, he was relieved on his own request and at once